

OPW



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q80281

Hideo MATSUNAGA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/802,874

Group Art Unit: 3711

Confirmation No.: 5453

Examiner: Sebastiano PASSANTTI

Filed: March 18, 2004

For: GOLF CLUB HEAD

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 16, 2005, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are all the claims pending in the application.

Claims 1-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Tsuchiya et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,346,217) in view of Motomiya (U.S. Patent No. 4,438,931), Hoshi (U.S. Patent No. 5,205,560), and Tsuchida (U.S. Patent No. 5,255,913).

Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1 is patentable because the Examiner has not established a *prima facie* case of obviousness in combining the teachings of Tsuchiya et al., Tsuchida, and Hoshi.